GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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GAS BASED POWER PROJECT
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken decision to abandon the Gas based power project (280 MW) of Monarchak of Tripura;

(b) if so, the facts and reasons therefor;

(c) whether the government of Tripura objected the move of the Union Government and urged for continuation of construction work of the project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI)

(a) & (b) : In view of the decision of Oil & Natural Gas Commission, Government of Tripura & Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services to jointly set up a 750 MW Combined Cycle Gas Based Project in the vicinity at Palatana, South Tripura District in Tripura and on the advice of the Ministry of Finance, it has been decided to keep in abeyance the 280 MW Combined Cycle Gas Based Project of North Eastern Electric Power Corporation at Monarchak, West Tripura District in Tripura.

(c) & (d) : The request of Government of Tripura to construct the 280 MW Combined Cycle Gas Based Project of North Eastern Electric Power Corporation was taken into consideration by the Government, but due to issues relating to availability of gas and as sufficient viable options are available in the North East for alternate power generation, the said decision has been taken.